

## **IN THE CLAIMS**

**Please amend Claims 1 and 8 as follows, all without prejudice or disclaimer.**

1. (Currently Amended) A moveable stowage assembly for a fire truck comprising:
  - a longitudinal member disposed on a top surface of the firetruck configured for moving a stowed ladder;
  - attachment means for connecting the stowed ladder to the longitudinal member, the attachment means being adapted to travel along the longitudinal member;
  - first powered means defining a powered, endless closed loop for moving the attachment means between a stowed position and an access position;
  - a base member secured pivotally to the top surface of the firetruck, the longitudinal member being moveable over the base member by second powered means for moving the longitudinal member between a stowed position and an access position;
  - means for releasably securing the longitudinal member in the stowed position;
  - first stop means to hold the longitudinal member in an access position on the base member;
  - third powered means defining a hydraulic pivot for pivotally moving the base member between stowed position and an access position; and
  - second stop means for holding the base member in the access position.
2. (Previously Presented) The moveable stowage assembly as in Claim 1, wherein the closed loop is formed by one of a belt or a chain running around a plurality of sprockets, at least one sprocket being power driven.
3. (Previously Presented) The moveable stowage assembly as in Claim 1, wherein the second powered means is one of a belt or a chain running around a power driven sprocket.
4. (Previously Presented) The moveable stowage assembly as in Claim 1, wherein the third powered means is an actuator.

5. (Previously Presented) The moveable stowage assembly as in Claim 1, wherein the third powered means is a hydraulic device, an electric device, or a pneumatic device.
6. (Previously Presented) The moveable stowage assembly as in Claim 1, further comprising a sensor being configured to sense a movement of the stowage assembly to sequence and regulate the movement of the stowage assembly.
7. (Cancelled).
8. (Currently Amended) A moveable stowage assembly for stowing and accessing emergency equipment on top of an emergency vehicle, the moveable stowage assembly comprising:
  - a movable member configured for moveably holding the emergency equipment;
  - a base member pivotally attached to a the top of the emergency vehicle, the movable member further configured to traverse the base member to and from a stowed position;
  - an attachment moveably disposed between the movable member and the emergency equipment, the attachment configured to traverse the movable member with the emergency equipment between the stowed position and an access position;
  - [[an]] a linear hydraulic actuator attached between the top of the emergency vehicle and the base member, the actuator configured for pivoting the base member in a downward direction away from the top to the access position to access the emergency equipment; and
  - a powered endless closed loop configured to drive the attachment.
9. (Presently Presented) The moveable stowage assembly as in Claim 8, wherein the movable member is longitudinal complementary to the top of the emergency vehicle.
10. (Cancelled).
11. (Previously Presented) The moveable stowage assembly as in Claim 8, further comprising a powered endless belt configured to move the movable member relative to the base member.
12. (Previously Presented) The moveable stowage assembly as in Claim 8, wherein the moveable stowage assembly is configured for remote operation.